GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Educational Qualification for Drivers
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to terminate the minimum educational qualification requirement for driving licence;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the main focus of the Government is on the efficiency of driving instead of the drivers' educational qualification;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to ensure the high quality of training provided by the driving schools and ensure uniform policy for driving licences all over India?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) to (e) The Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2017 passed by Lok Sabha on 10th April, 2017 and presently in Rajya Sabha for introduction and passing inter-alia proposes to simplify the procedure for the grant of a driving licence. It seeks to remove the requirement for minimum educational qualification for transport vehicle's licence as long as the applicant holds a certificate from a driver training school or establishment. It also seeks to provide that an applicant who fails the test of competence repeatedly shall be required to undergo a remedial driver training course before such applicant can apply again.

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